Corrigendum

Corrigendum to: **Calcium signaling in lymphocytes and ELF fields: evidence for an electric field metric and a site of interaction involving the calcium ion channel** by R.P. Liburdy

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Figs. 6 and 7 of the above article are retracted according to an agreement with the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) in which I admit no wrongdoing. I affirm the raw data for these figures are valid and the scientific conclusions stand as published (*Science*, 16 July 1999, p. 337). Graphic techniques used to present this raw data, considered controversial by some scientists, were discussed in *Science*, noted above. Additional details will be available at www.liburdy.com.

Comment

As the immediate-past Managing Editor of *FEBS Letters* I have to complement Dr. Liburdy's statement with the following. As far as I know, *Science* published Liburdy's letter as a letter to the journal, without subjecting it to a peer-reviewing process. Strictly speaking, therefore, it cannot be considered a scientific paper. Most of the references quoted in it by Dr. Liburdy as supporting his conclusions refer to abstracts.

Dr. Liburdy states that he only adjusted the baselines in Figs. 6 and 7, allegedly an accepted critical appraisal of raw data. This, however, questions at least one statement in his own paper (towards the end of page 56) that the "$[Ca^{2+}{}_i]$ was stable at about 105 nM".

The interested reader can find more information on the agreement reached by Dr. Liburdy and the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) in http://ori.dhhs.gov/newsletters (September 1999 newsletter).

Having now provided the readers with access to the views of both Dr. Liburdy and the ORI, the present Editor considers unnecessary any further exchange of statements on Liburdy's Figs. 6 and 7 – however important (and controversial) the biological effects of electromagnetic fields certainly are.

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